

SENATE BILL No. 212

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 11-10-3-7; IC 12-15-4-2.5; IC 36-2-13-19.

Synopsis: Inmates and Medicaid. Makes the department of correction (department) an inmate's authorized representative for applying for Medicaid for inmates who are potentially eligible for Medicaid and who incur medical care expenses that are not otherwise reimbursable. Requires the department and the office of the secretary of family and social services to enter into an agreement in which the department pays the state share of the Medicaid costs incurred for the inmate. Allows a sheriff to apply on behalf of a lawfully detained individual for Medicaid and act as the person's Medicaid representative if the sheriff enters into an agreement with the office of the secretary of family and social services to pay the state share of the Medicaid costs incurred for the person.

Effective: July 1, 2015.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning Medicaid.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 11-10-3-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.205-2013,
2 SECTION 170, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 7. **(a)** If the department or a county
4 incurs medical care expenses in providing medical care to an inmate
5 who is committed to the department and the medical care expenses are
6 not reimbursed, the department or the county shall attempt to determine
7 the amount, if any, of the medical care expenses that may be paid:
8 (1) by a policy of insurance that is maintained by the inmate and
9 that covers medical care, dental care, eye care, or any other health
10 care related service; or
11 (2) by Medicaid.
12 **(b) For an inmate who:**
13 **(1) is committed to the department;**
14 **(2) incurs medical care expenses that are not otherwise**
15 **reimbursable; and**
16 **(3) is potentially eligible for Medicaid (IC 12-15);**



1 the department is the inmate's Medicaid authorized representative
 2 and may apply for Medicaid on behalf of the inmate.

3 (c) The department and the office of the secretary of family and
 4 social services shall enter into a written memorandum of
 5 understanding providing that the department shall reimburse the
 6 office of the secretary for the state share of the Medicaid costs
 7 incurred for an inmate.

8 SECTION 2. IC 12-15-4-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 9 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 10 1, 2015]: Sec. 2.5. (a) The department of correction is, for an
 11 inmate described in IC 11-10-3-7(b), the inmate's Medicaid
 12 authorized representative.

13 (b) A sheriff who:

14 (1) agrees to the requirements set forth in IC 36-2-13-19; and

15 (2) applies for Medicaid for a person who:

16 (A) is subject to lawful detention; and

17 (B) described in IC 36-2-13-19;

18 is the inmate's Medicaid authorized representative.

19 SECTION 3. IC 36-2-13-19 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 20 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 21 1, 2015]: Sec. 19. (a) This section applies to a person who:

22 (1) is subject to lawful detention;

23 (2) incurs medical care expenses that are not otherwise
 24 reimbursable during the lawful detention; and

25 (3) is potentially eligible for Medicaid (IC 12-15).

26 (b) A sheriff may:

27 (1) apply for Medicaid on behalf of a person described in
 28 subsection (a); and

29 (2) act as the person's authorized representative;

30 only if the sheriff enters into and complies with a written
 31 memorandum of understanding with the office of the secretary of
 32 family and social services that requires the sheriff to reimburse the
 33 office of the secretary for the state share of the Medicaid costs
 34 incurred for the person.

